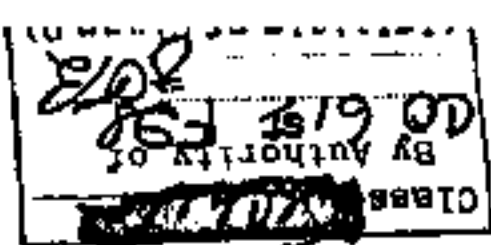


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61ST FIGHTER-INTERCEPTOR SQUADRON
4708TH DEFENSE WING
SELFRIDGE AIR FORCE BASE, MICHIGAN



7 October 1952

SUBJECT: (UNCL) Flyodrpt

TO: Commanding General
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

In reply to your letter, AFOIN-ATIAA-5, dated 2 October 1952, the following information has been obtained. Some of the information is incomplete due to the lapse of time between your letter and the original report.

a. The unidentified flying object appeared on the GCI scope for a period of approximately twenty (20) minutes. The object was traveling at a speed of approximately 550 miles per hour on a heading of 360 degrees, as determined by the GCI controller. The object was one-quarter (1/4) inch long and rectangular in shape as it appeared on the scope.

b. GCI reports the speed of the object at 550 miles per hour, and not 60 knots as was given in the original report from this section. According to the report from the interceptor pilots, they increased their speed in order to close in on the object. The controller records that the object maintained its distance from the interceptor aircraft. Therefore, it is estimated that the object increased its speed as the speed of the interceptor aircraft increased.

c. The operators were unable to measure the acceleration of the object.

d. The unidentified object and the pursuing F-94B appeared simultaneously on the GCI scope. The time and duration are not available.

e. The other two F-94B aircraft which were in the area were not carried on the GCI scope at this time. No other information on these aircraft is available.

f. The radar observer in the pursuing F-94B obtained the thirty (30) second lock-on at a location approximately twenty (20) miles due West of Port Huron, Michigan, at 0240 (zebra) hours. The other two F-94B aircraft were intercepting (ECM missions) a B-25 aircraft in the vicinity of Port Huron, Michigan, and Selfridge Air Force Base, Mich.

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g. The pilot and the radar observer of the pursuing F-94B aircraft were able to observe the object visually for a period of approximately twenty (20) minutes, commencing at 0240 (zebra) hours. The location was approximately twenty (20) miles due West of Port Huron, Michigan.

h. Base Weather reports that the weather balloon which is regularly scheduled for release at 0300 (zebra) hours was released at approximately 0300 hours on 29 July 1952. This balloon was of the rawinsonde type. In the event of a failure in the balloon, it takes an estimated one-half hour to prepare another one. It is believed that on 29 July, the balloon was released as scheduled. The track was in an eastwardly direction. A map enclosure showing the track of the weather balloon was made by the Base Weather Office.

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Weather Map

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